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Our Founder Has Passed On

Irving S. Cutter

Irving S. Cutter, president of Phi Rho Sigma Fraternity from 1927 to 1934, died February 2, 1944, in the Passavant Memorial Hospital, Chicago.

Irving Cutter was born in Keene, New Hampshire in 1875 and came west with his parents in 1882. The family settled in Lincoln, Nebraska, where he received his education. He was initiated by *Iota* Chapter in 1906 and was graduated from the University Medical School in 1910. Soon afterward he became instructor, then professor, and in 1915 dean. In 1925, he became dean of Northwestern Medical School and later head of the Passavant Hospital, both of which he helped to build and house in their present homes. In 1934 he became health editor on the Chicago Tribune and his daily informative column, "How to Keep Well," was a source of advice to millions of Americans. He was a sound educator, a leader in matters of public and personal health, a staunch advocate of the principles of the family doctor and the private practice of medicine.

At the Montreal convention when Phi Rho Sigma elevated him to its presidency he began to stress the importance of each individual chapter as a character building machine. All plans were directed along this line using the new framework of the Fraternity so excellently laid during the administration of Stuart Wilson. It was during his term of office that the amalgamation with *Chi Zeta Chi* took place. He was a rare personification of the modern technician and the true physician. He was, indeed, both and more, and, above all, a great medical

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Phi Rho Sigma Scholarship Award Established

HOWARD B. CARROLL, *Alpha*

To enhance the prestige of the Phi Rho Sigma Fraternity, awards known (during the life of the donor) as the Phi Rho Sigma Scholarship awards, have been established at Northwestern University Medical School. The purpose of these awards is to stimulate scholarship in the Medical School among organized groups as well as among the individual students.

The awards are to consist of a suitable trophy which shall remain the property of Northwestern University Medical School, and shall be placed and maintained on a suitable pedestal in the Archibald Church Library as a constant stimulus to scholarship. This trophy shall be awarded annually to the National fraternity in Northwestern University Medical School having thirty or more active members enrolled as regular students, which has maintained the highest scholastic average during the preceding year. An appropriate inscription shall be added on the base of the trophy designating the winning fraternity. In addition, there shall be two individual cash awards: one to the student who has maintained the highest scholastic average during his or her three years in Northwestern University Medical School; and, the other to the student in the winning fraternity who, in the opinion of that fraternity, has contributed most to their success in winning the trophy. The awards shall be made annually as a part of the Founder's Day Convocation by the President of *Alpha* Association of Phi Rho Sigma or his designee.

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Milbank Johnson's Long Life of Service Ends

Phi Rho Sigma was conceived in Milbank Johnson's imagination and to him alone belongs all the credit of its birth and early development. Soon after the opening of school at Northwestern in October, 1890, he gathered around him Robeson, Forline, Poling, Bonn, Witherbee, Hawley, Burroughs, Nobles and Brown, all freshmen that year. David Wenstrand in a writing about this event has said, "More than once I have heard Johnson say: 'We built along the lines of friendship, good fellowship and ability, realizing that such attributes are most enduring'."

Milbank Johnson was born in Columbus, Texas on October 13, 1871. He lived in Houston until he was thirteen, when he went north to Elgin, Illinois to live with his brother. Even as a small boy of eight or ten he collected frogs and all sorts of insects, keeping them in his pockets until such time as he could dissect them.

He received his early college training at Southern California, taking his Doctor of Medicine degree at Northwestern University. He received his LL. D. from Southern California in 1917 and an LL. D. from Northwestern in 1920. He was a student at Johns Hopkins University and in European Hospitals. He began the practice of medicine in Los Angeles at the age of twenty-one. From that time on he led an active life as a Southern Californian which brought him distinction in fields as different as medicine, government, business, social welfare and civic undertakings. He gave fifty-one years of public service as a member of the Los Angeles Board

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These awards are made possible through the generous gift of an alumnus of Phi Rho Sigma, who wishes to remain anonymous, which has been deposited in trust with Northwestern University who will make available the proceeds thereof to the Committee on awards. This committee consists of: The Dean of the Medical School, the President of the Alpha Association of Phi Rho Sigma, Inc. The President of the Medical Division of the Northwestern University Alumni Association, and, a member elected by the Alpha Chapter of Phi Rho Sigma.

Many suggestions have been presented to the Committee charged with the responsibility of choosing a suitable trophy for the Phi Rho Sigma Scholarship award. Cups and tureens of Sheffield silver, of the usual trophy designs, have been considered and rejected. At present, negotiations are under way with the Art Institute of Chicago to find the proper artist or sculptor to create a trophy of suitable design within certain specifications decided upon by this committee.

In general, this trophy as planned by the Committee will be composed of six books with appropriate book ends cast in bronze, which will rest on a suitable pedestal which will harmonize with the interior of the Archibald Church Library of the Northwestern University Medical School. The books will represent some of the best known works in medicine along with some of the better known textbooks of some of the medical faculty of Northwestern University. The books under consideration are: Vesalius' "Fabrica," Harvey's "Circulation of the Blood," Sir Thomas Browne's "Religio Medici," Osler's "Medicine," Knavel's "Hand Injuries," De Lee's "Obstetrics." First editions of these works will be used as models where available. The book ends will be made in such a way as to incorporate in them a bust or head of some historic character in Medicine such as Hippocrates and Galen. On the base of the trophy, "Phi Rho Sigma Scholarship Award" is to be inscribed in classic letters. The other three sides of the base may be used for other appropriate inscriptions. The pedestal upon which the trophy will rest is to be so designed that the names of the winners of this award—both fraternities and individuals—can be suitably recorded.

The fraternities at Northwestern which will be in constant competition for the trophy, in addition to the Alpha Chapter of Phi Rho Sigma, are: Alpha Kappa Kappa, Nu Sigma Nu, Phi Beta Pi, Phi Chi and Phi Delta Upsilon. It is possible that other National medical fraternities may be added to this list in years to come. Since this trophy is perpetual, removable bronze plaques may be attached to the pedestal which would contain sufficient room for the winner of the award for the next 25 or 50 years.

The award will be made for the first time in September, 1945. This gives the Committee adequate time to study sketches which may be submitted by various artists.

Any suggestions which may be helpful to the Committee will be most welcome.

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Expansion at Augusta

Plans have been roughed out to make the University of Georgia School of Medicine one of the outstanding schools in the country by adding seven full-time clinical departments and the establishment of a large state hospital for the needy. The tentative outline of this important program has been laid before the Board of Regents of the University System by Dr. G. Lombard Kelly, *Chi Alpha,* the aggressive dean of the school who also heads the department of anatomy. Dr. Kelly, since his return from a leave of absence when he was the first executive secretary of the new council of the American Medical Association on "Medical Economics and Public Relations," has been concentrating on this postwar plan for his alma mater.

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organizer. His contributions to the University of Nebraska, to Northwestern and to American medicine will long be remembered and have been fittingly recognized by Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of The Tribune, in the establishment of the Irving S. Cutter Fund for Medical Research.

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of Health, later becoming president of the Municipal Charities Commission, a member of the Los Angeles City Charter Board of Freeholders and an executive committee member of the California Military Welfare Commission. He also was president of the California Conference of Social Agencies and a member of the board of directors of the Pasadena Hospital Association.

Due to his practical interest in government he joined the organization of the California Taxpayers Association of which he was a director for twenty years. His efforts to bring about a better public understanding of taxation were nationally recognized, as were his achievements in raising public health standards and in social work. For fifty-two years the development and progress of Phi Rho Sigma was a matter closest to his heart.

Milbank Johnson died in Los Angeles, October 3, 1944, of a heart attack.

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Bone Crystal Study may be Disease Clue

A quick shift which takes place in the structure of bones during some illnesses is under study at the University of Illinois Department of Physiology as a clue to disease.

The shift occurs in bone crystals, particles so small that they can be identified only by X-rays. Even then the individual crystals cannot be seen, but have to be calculated by X-ray diffraction—the angle at which X-rays reflect from the crystal surfaces. This study, based on about 1,000 X-ray diffraction photos, each of which took eight hours, is made by Dr. C. I. Reed, *Omega,* professor of physiology, and his wife. Without Mrs. Reed—the technician—the bone crystal mystery probably would have remained unknown. A housewife until her son entered the military forces, she turned to her husband's laboratory to keep busy. The bone crystal studies will be used to examine the effects of ageing, influence of sex hormones during development and of arthritis and other diseases.

Anti-Vivisection

Early in January, 1943, Representative Burdick and Senator Langer of North Dakota introduced an anti-vivisection bill into the 78th Congress. It was referred to the two Committees on the District of Columbia where it lay dormant until the close of the session, although considerable pressure was brought to bear by Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson of the Washington Times Herald in an editorial in August, 1944. Again, on October 29, 1944, the American Weekly, syndicated magazine section of the Hearst Sunday papers, carried an urgent appeal for supporters to write in demanding passage of the bill. Heavy pressure was brought to bear, but the Committees did not respond.

On January 3, 1945, Representative Lemke, successor to Mr. Burdick, introduced a bill of the same wording into the House where it is known as "H. R. 491." This bill has been referred to the House Committee on the District of Columbia. The following is the membership of that Committee: Jennings Randolph, West Virginia, Chairman; Dan R. McGehee, Mississippi; John L. McMillan, South Carolina; Oren Harris, Arkansas; F. Edward Herbert, Louisiana; John W. Murphy, Pennsylvania; Michael A. Feighan, Ohio; Thomas G. Abernethy, Mississippi; Howard W. Smith, Virginia; William W. Link, Illinois; Ned R. Nealy, California; and J. M. Combs, Texas.

Phi Rho's own Carlos I. Reed has been most active in seeing that an anti-vivisection bill does not further handicap scientific research and medical teaching. From information that we have, it would seem that Mr. Lemke is more sincere and earnest, even though misguided in this matter, than other men who have been induced to sponsor bills of this sort. He was responsible years ago for an anti-vaccination law that is on the books of North Dakota. Therefore, it would be well for all of us to write and have our friends write to our respective senators and representatives protesting against this bill which provides "that from and after the passage of this Act it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to experiment or operate in any manner whatsoever upon any living dog, for any purpose other than the healing or curing of said dog, in the District of Columbia." Once this bill is through, further trouble may be expected. It deserves your active opposition.

Hospital Needs

One of the new social problems is the increased need for hospital beds. With many physicians in service with the armed forces those who are left in private practice are so busy that they find it difficult to make calls in homes and encourage their patients to go to the hospital upon the slightest provocation. This, however, is one of the minor causes of the present excess of demands on facilities in the hospital field. Millions of Americans have become dislocated from their homes and have been crowded into crammed living quarters around defense plants. There are just no facilities where they live for one who is sick. They must be taken to the hospital. Another important factor in this problem is insurance. With private insurance 50 millions of our citizens have all or part of their hospital bills paid for in advance. It is little wonder then that the average daily number of people in residence in hospital beds in the United States in 1944, exclusive of babies, was 1,257,124.

Every community finds itself, therefore, in need of new hospitals and new hospital facilities. Nothing can be done about this until industry reconverts to peace-time production. As soon as this takes place, however, we have official assurance that hospital construction will get the very first place on the priority list.

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Bookplates

Many alumni have been ordering a supply of bookplates for their own personal libraries stating that heretofore they have never had one and are very pleased to use the Phi Rho Sigma bookplate. These bookplates have been distributed to those chapters which have libraries and it is hoped that their availability will prove an incentive to other chapters to build a chapter library. It is of interest in this connection to know that the entire membership of Alpha Nu Chapter at the University of Texas ordered bookplates.

Professor of the History of Medicine

At the January meeting of the board of trustees of the Ohio State University extensive reorganization of the school was provided for under the new dean, Charles A. Doan, who succeeds Hardy Kemp, *Chi Eta.* One of the innovations was the establishment of the Chair of the History of Medicine. As the first incumbent of this new Chair, Dr. Jonathan Forman, president of Phi Rho Sigma, was selected. Dr. Forman has been directing, on a voluntary basis, a course in the history of medicine for the freshmen for several years now. In 1934 he wrote a history of the medical school celebrating its centennial. Since that time he has conducted a column, "The Historian's Notebook," in the Ohio State Medical Journal and has served as chairman of the section on medical history of the Ohio Historical Society.

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Symposium on Premedical Education

Alpha Epsilon Delta, national honorary premedical fraternity, sponsored a symposium on premedical education at the Cleveland meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science. A spirited discussion followed the formal remarks made by Professor Setterfield, the national president of the Fraternity, and Dr. Victor Johnson, secretary of the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association. Dr. C. I. Reed, *Omega,* University of Illinois, was to have presented a paper giving a report on premedical training as determined among the faculty and students of the five colleges in Chicago. Unfortunately Dr. Reed could not be present. The papers of this Symposium have been collected and published and will be distributed to teachers, administrators and other interested parties. Copies may be had by writing to Dr. M. L. Moore, 3853 Lakewood, Detroit 15, Michigan.

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Dickson Heads Department

Roger W. Dickson, Emory, '22, has recently been made Professor and Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics in the Medical School of Emory University and Chief of the Pediatric Service at Grady Hospital.

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Paul L. McLain, the Editor has reported for active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States. During his absence his duties have been assumed by Brothers Jonathan Forman, Ralph Elliott and the Associate Editors.

Need for Physicians

Surveys are being made in many states and all of them show that the medical schools of the commonwealth are turning out under the accelerated program less than half the number of physicians necessary for civilian replacements. Since this condition exists so widely throughout the North American Continent it is obvious that no community can depend upon distant medical centers to send them young men to take the place of the physicians who die or become incapacitated for practice. It is, therefore, up to most of the states to educate within their borders the number of physicians which they need.

In attempting to determine what these needs will be, one runs up against several obstacles. One is, what will the returning veteran physician do? The survey made by Lt. Col. Lueth shows that most men would like to return to their private practice. Very few want any association with government medicine. The younger men would like to have further education. The younger they are the more education they desire. The older men want a brief refresher course and then right back to their old practice. On the other hand there will be a demand for an enormous number of men to stay with the army because it is certain that we will have both a large professional army and will contribute generously to the armies of occupation. Then too, the tremendously enlarged navy will require the continuance of a large medical corps. A great deal of pressure will be put on those who were wounded in the war to be transferred to veteran service. In fact as long as that service is militarized it is possible for such men to be ordered to veteran duty instead of being discharged. Almost every state in the union has a large building program to meet the problems of its mentally ill and others requiring institutional care. Such problems all presuppose the employment of a large number of physicians. The question is, where are all these doctors coming from?

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Are We Over Sold

For a good many years now the public has been regaled with an attractive portrait of the noble, self-sacrificing, all-wise physician. This began when bacteriologists actually found the cause of infectious diseases and remedies which were actually and specifically effective. These discoveries sped the doom of the cultist and, we thought, assured the permanency of the M. D.

This was a short sighted view. The public now has the idea that medicine is not a profession and that we doctors of medicine are highly trained technicians. Disease, they believe, can easily be recognized by consulting our manuals and the remedies are obvious. It is any wonder, then, that they believe that they can attain health through the use of our pills and pellets. Upon such a foundation is built the whole program of compulsory state medicine.

No gentlemen, we have been over sold and this selling will send us down the river unless it is undone.

Our Loss

One of the prices that a fraternity has to pay for becoming old is the loss of many of its distinguished members. Phi Rho Sigma is now in its fifty-fifth year.

On the pages of this chronicle are the stories of the lives and deaths of two outstanding Phi Rhos.

Milbank Johnson, the founder of our Fraternity, was a great man and a born leader. From the many heartfelt tributes which were written by those who knew him best, we like this one, "The outward facts of his life and his many services to the people of California are well known to the citizens of our great state. His work has had national recognition in the fields of medicine and public welfare. His creative ability, his understanding, his leadership and his services, given without expectation of return, his courage and forward vision, have left worthy and enduring monuments." None of which is greater than our beloved Fraternity.

Irving S. Cutter left his mark in the medical profession and public education and in the field of hospital administration. He will always have a place in the history of Phi Rho Sigma as an administrator who insisted that the fundamental job of a chapter was character building and that the principal requisite for membership should be inherent honesty.

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Domiciliary Medicine

Two medical schools in this country now have departments of domiciliary medicine. Their program is based on the treatment of patients in their homes so that the medical student may get some orientation on one of his major problems if he elects to practice general medicine. These schools are Tufts School of Medicine in Boston and the University of Georgia School of Medicine under our own G. L. Kelly. There is a good deal to remember in this type of instruction. While it does not add anything to the technical knowledge of the student, it does give him an understanding of people, which is most important any place in the practice of medicine.

The Outlook

Through a wide sweep of responses, nature has produced the variations essential to the evolution of our race—only through variation does Man have a chance to make his way towards perfection — regimentation inhibits variation and leads inevitably to a static social order—it destroys progress by taking away the dignity of Man.

We are now engaged in a world-wide conflict to determine whether Man's dignity can be maintained—whether the state shall be the servant of the people or whether the citizens shall be slaves of the state. The fathers of this Republic recognized that the attainment of the desired freedoms can come only through the redemption of Man—never through the planning of those who govern. While we are bending every effort to conquer our enemies abroad, the very same ideas that betrayed them are beginning to ferment in the minds of our own people. Through the centuries, Man has traveled slowly away from serfdom towards independence, but now our people are retreating towards slavery.

In ancient times, the people swarmed around the castle of their Feudal Lord for protection and security—beholden to their lords for their very lives. Here in America, our culture has been evolved by a people who were mostly agricultural, but today more than eighty-five per cent of our citizens are not on the land. Instead, they are for the most part found as squatters around some MACHINE—just as were their ancestors around a castle. Modern farm machinery has permitted them to rush to the city to work for the machines of Industry—a machine which feeds them, starves them, throws them away when they become sick or old—even kills them as it wills.

Is it any wonder, then, that our people are afraid—afraid of sickness, unemployment, and old age—are ready to succumb to the blandishments of any prophet, however false, who promises some sort of security even if it be only a mutual association of the sick and the poor to end sickness and poverty—or some scheme to drag all down to the same level—a thing abhorrent to Nature and in defiance of Her Laws. So today our people in the insecurity of the city are becoming anxious to trade their independence, their intelligence, their industry, and even their integrity for the hope that they may have freedom from want and freedom from fear. Thus our civilization crumbles in the fear and sterility of our city folks. So do we move towards despotism and slavery—all in the name of a "planned economy."

Nevertheless in the tradition that has made our profession great we physicians shall try our utmost to increase our service to mankind. In the meantime, as citizens, we shall do our best to help to solve the problems of sickness, but, above all, we shall turn our attention to making America conscious of health rather than sickness. We shall try to make our people see that health is more than just freedom from disease, that it is a positive thing—a buoyancy and vigor which gives a long life and a happy one—that it can only be attained through nutrient-rich foods and obedience to the laws of hygiene. Furthermore, we shall try with all our might to spread the gospel of the worth and dignity of Man. We shall insist that each of our citizens has rights that must be respected and preserved—even against the State itself—an idea implicit in religion and therefore found in the teachings of its great leaders — Confucius, Buddha, and Jesus.

Milbank Johnson
Founder

Alumni Answer Challenge

Sixteen alumni have answered the challenge of our enthusiastic alumnus, Louis H. Marks, and have contributed $25.00 each to the Student Loan Fund. The members of the "Twenty-five Dollar Club" are: Mallory Sinclair Andrews, *Sigma;* C. H. Bennage, *Chi Eta;* Francis Frank Borzell, *Rho;* Norman E. Clarke, *Zeta;* Warren H. Eller, *Iota;* John B. Gooch, *D. O. A.;* Findley D. John, *Gamma;* E. F. Kieger, *Kappa;* Norman Macneill, *Rho;* M. A. Mortensen, *Zeta;* Melvin H. Pike, *Zeta;* George W. Pollock, *Chi;* Harold A. Ramser, *Gamma;* Stevens S. Sanderson, *Zeta;* George A. Shaw, *Alpha;* and Albert Soiland, *Delta.*

It is to be remembered that Dr. Marks promised to make substantial contributions to the Student Loan Fund in proportion to other contributions. There will be great need for funds of this kind in the postwar days and it is hoped that many of our alumni will find it possible to make contributions to this worthwhile project.

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Bellefaire Retains Wetzel

Norman Wetzel, *Kappa,* formerly editor of "The Journal," has been commissioned to continue his research upon child growth and development at Bellefaire, Cleveland's nationally-known Jewish orphanage. Bellefaire has maintained progressive tradition throughout its 75 years of existence. Dr. Wetzel has gained a great distinction for his studies on child physical development. Thus are brought together two pioneering influences in child study.

In these days of medicine, especially on the preventive side, Dr. Wetzel's "grid" has proved of great assistance in detecting beginning disease, improper nutrition and in effecting economy of the time and energy of the school physician and others who deal with large groups of growing youngsters. By its use children are at once divided into the larger group, who, no matter what might have been or may be wrong with them, are now doing all right and, secondly, into a smaller group who, no matter how well they may have been doing, are now in serious need of professional attention.

. . Chapter News . .

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Our last pledge class included boys from all over the country and comprised an excellent group. Most of these are in the Navy, while some of the civilians recently received their discharges from the Army to attend medical school.

Last fall the chapter elected John Berg, President; John Utz, Vice President; Frederick Johnson, Treasurer; Robert Siekert, Secretary; Thomas Dorr, Alumni Secretary; Charles Stiffler, House Manager; while Stuart Pritchard was retained as Rushing Chairman. James Boren was appointed Athletic Director and regimented the chapter and whipped it into shape for the year's inter-fraternity competition. The basketball and swimming teams were reformed to defend last season's championships. The pledges took an active part in the successful football season and many of them show great promise for future events.

Scholastically, James Wilson, a sophomore, and Stuart Pritchard and Sidney Duke, juniors, were recently elected by their fellow classmates to the enviable distinction of Pi Kappa Epsilon, National Medical Honorary Fraternity. At the Annual Founder's Day Convocation it was announced that Alpha Chapter of Phi Rho Sigma will present a scholarship trophy to the fraternal organization maintaining the highest scholastic calibre for the preceding year. A complete story on this award may be found on page one.

Plans are underway for the remodeling of a portion of the first floor. Upon completion, this project will enrich the house by several new suites.

John W. Bell has been appointed as a surgical intern at Massachusetts General Hospital beginning July, 1945.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

After weeks of highly demoralizing confusion Delta Chapter is together once again. The seniors are back from their harrowing sojourn with the Army, the sophomores have become juniors; the freshmen are sophomores and at last we have a freshmen class, making four classes for the first time in two years. Misfortune has befallen Bernie Ericson and Albert Bloeckner who are out for a while in a nearby tuberculosis sanitarium. Russell Irwin and John Roberts are each proud fathers of a son.

Delta Alumni Chapter held the annual Founder's Day banquet of Phi Rho Sigma at the University Club in Los Angeles on November 9. An enthusiastic crowd attended. Dr. Joseph de los Reyes, our councilor, was chairman for the evening. The following officers were elected: Thomas Cunnane, President; Raoul Esnard, Vice President; and Alfred G. Henrich, Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Harold Witherbee, son of one of the founding members of Phi Rho Sigma, responded with an address on the life of Milbank Johnson, the founder of Phi Rho Sigma. The other old standbys who were present are Otto, Crane and Anderson. The officers of Delta Chapter were present as guests.

CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY

Since our last letter we redecorated and refurnished the chapter house. All active members, as well as the pledges living at the house, helped. Members of the fraternity and many of our alumni made donations to the building fund so that the improvements could be completed. The difference in the house is outstanding. We are well pleased with the results of our efforts and have received many compliments on the improvements.

The chapter held the annual dinner-dance at the Blackstone Hotel. Toastmaster was Dr. Louis D. McGuire. Other speakers were Dr. James W. Martin, Dr. Benjamin C. Russum and Dr. Herbert F. Gerald. At the dinner-dance the graduating members received fraternity keys. The lucky boys were Keith Arnold, Benjamin Bishop, Joseph Borghoff, Richard Braitsch, Roy Brown, Robert De Persio, Richard Fangman, Paul Goetwoski, William Hopkins, Steven Magiera, John McCollough, Maurice Perll, James Rouse, and Robert Storck.

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

We started off the new year with a picnic held at Willowick Beach in honor of the entering freshman class. The weather man did right by us and after packing enough fried chicken and potato salad to feed a small army, we were on our way. We played baseball and football until dinner time, while a few of the braver souls took a quick swim in Lake Erie. After our strenuous exercise and wonderful dinner we all were content just to sit around the fire and sing. Every one had a swell time.

We held a dance at the house in celebration of the end of the first quarter and Halloween. This time we outdid ourselves, decorating the ceiling and walls with orange and black crepe paper streamers and using corn stocks and pumpkins for a real Halloween effect. During the evening there were thirty couples present, enjoying the dancing, cider and doughnuts. Everyone had a grand time and they especially liked the decorations.

Lt. Colonel Guy W. Brugler, '33, formerly our councilor and alumni advisor, and his wife, Alice Elliott Brugler, were our guests for dinner in October. Colonel Brugler returned in September after thirty-three months in the Southwest Pacific and is now Executive Officer at the Woodrow Wilson Hospital, Staunton, Va.

We resumed competitive sports participation this year by entering the Western Reserve University Intramural Basketball Tournament. We organized an A and a B team, each competing in separate leagues. The end of the season found an undefeated Phi Rho Sigma A team champion of the University. The B team went through the season with only one defeat, but lost in their final game at the championship playoff. At the present time our chapter ranks third in competition for the all sports trophy.

On Saturday evening, February 17, the chapter gave a dinner in honor of the initiation of the following men: Thurston Batson, Dayton University; Richard Belch, Capital University; Richard Hartzell, Otterbine; Harry F. Hurd, Hiram College; George Mogil, Baldwin Wallace; Edward Morris, Ohio Wesleyn; James Noonan, Wayne University; Robert Minick, Capital University; Dwight Spreng, Western Reserve; and Anton Defede, Bethany College. The feature of the evening was a talk by John Toomey, who chose as his subject "My Teachers as I Knew Them." This was the second of a series of talks that John has given at student and alumni gatherings and he has promised a third in the near future. Don't miss it.

Edward C. Clark, '43, after a training course at Carlisle Barracks spent a month in electroencephalography in Mason General Hospital, Long Island, N. Y. He hopes eventually to become a neurologist and is certainly getting an excellent training.

Carleton Benjamin White, '44, and Betty Gordon Yates were married on October 16th at Montreat, N. C. White is a lieutenant in the Army.

Lt. Col. Edward Sherrer was home on leave after extensive service in the Aleutians. He is now in the process of reassignment.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

We held our last initiation in the Columbia Club and initiated the following: John F. Jackson, Indiana University; John L. Shively, Indiana University; Michael O. Monar, Indiana University; Donald P. Morgan, Franklin and Marshall; John R. Porter, II, Indiana University; Byron H. Armstrong, Valparaiso University; Raymond K. Kincaid, Wabash College; Quentin D. Kenoyer, Indiana Central College; Jack H. Purcell, Evansville College; and James Charles Acos, Evansville College. The same evening we gave a dance in honor of the initiates.

The banquet was well attended by both alumni and under graduate members. The President, Harold Shonk, introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Dr. Warvel, *Omega,* who gave the history and back ground of Phi Rho Sigma. The meeting was then opened to impromptu speeches by the alumni. Among the alumni present were Lt. Col. Pfoff and Col. Benson, who gave interesting talks on the part of medicine in the war.

On November 31 the following officers were elected: President, Donald Schlegel; Vice President, John Shively; Secretary, Henry Rusche; Treasurer, George Belshaw; and Alumni Secretary, Howard Hammel.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

The annual initiation was held at the Webster Hall Hotel followed by a dinner with Cy Hungerford, cartoonist on the Pittsburgh Post Gazett, as guest speaker.

We are still under the influence of the accelerated program and Army and Navy control. We are, however, able to have monthly meetings.

Although our social program has been cut down we did hold a dance on Thanksgiving evening at the William Penn Hotel

which was most successful. Many people who attended the dance said it was the best one ever given by the medical school group.

The rushing season ended with the formal pledging of fifteen men on February 15. We now have sixty-five active members. There are nineteen seniors, twenty-five juniors, and twenty-one sophomores. Most of the seniors are doing junior intern work at the various hospitals in the city.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Activities have been undergoing a process of rejuvenation for the last two quarters under the original stimulation of Duane Midkiff, who is now interning in Denver. Our basement clubrooms are taking on a more congenial air with the acquisition of some new magazines, a record collection for our player, with the possibility of a pool table in the offing. We hold semi-weekly business meetings there with Eugene Carriker, President; Robert Merchant, Vice President; Don Jonte, Treasurer; and Lester P. Servid, Secretary. We also have outstanding speakers on our Sunday evening series, as well as social activities, such as dances and parties when speakers are not scheduled. The Faculty-Student Dinners of last and this quarter were very successful and besides fostering closer contact between the two, stimulated some interesting discussions on mutual problems.

On January 28 an informal meeting was held on the Stanford campus at which Dr. Frank Windholz presented an interesting discussion of the correlation between X-ray and clinical findings in various conditions.

Our rushing program included informal get-togethers of small groups of upper classmen and freshmen to get better acquainted on February 16. A formal rushing dinner near the campus with Mr. Varda, who spoke on art on February 17. A tour of the San Francisco and Stanford Hospitals, followed by a dinner in famed Chinatown, ending with an open house at the Phi Rho Sigma Clubroom on February 18. Future events will be a campus social for the prospective pledges on March 2 and finally the formal pledging of new men into Phi Rho Sigma on March 11.

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

For the records the following members graduated last spring: Douglas Black, George Gais, Ron Brannen, Carl Adams, Lester Stewart, Alex Roy, MacKay Murray, Claud Strickland, Don MacKeigan and Murray Davis. They are now serving with the Canadian Army, Navy and Air Force.

The house was occupied during the summer by the fourth year students but the chapter did not operate as such. Alpha Eta opened the fall season with a very successful rushing season, pledging nineteen men. One of the highlights of the rushing was a smoker which was attended by one of the largest crowds in years.

The social activities reached their peak in a buffet luncheon which was held during the Dalhousie Refresher Course. A discussion on the medical curriculum was led by Dr. George W. Thorn, Professor of Medicine at Harvard University, who was one of the outstanding lecturers of the refresher course.

The fraternity house is now occupied by first, second and third year students, many of whom are musically inclined and as a result there is an excellent orchestra in the house.

The house has been redecorated during the term. All the men worked together and have made a striking improvement in its appearance.

ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY

The alumni would hardly recognize the chapter house since much painting and repapering has been done recently. A sea-green effect has been accomplished in the basement so we call it the "Surf Room." A new bar and colorful awning enhance the effect. We are convinced that we have the best parties on the campus.

The new officers are President, Homer Schroeder; Vice President, Jean Bolduc; Treasurer, Bernhard Anderson; Secretary, Haydon Duffy; Corresponding Secretary, William Peters. Robert Burkhard was selected to serve as deputy treasurer and Andrew Mann as Steward.

Three members of our senior class were elected to membership in Alpha Omega Alpha. They are Edward J. O'Shaughnessy, retiring chapter president, Thomas R. Simon and Jerome B. Stechschulte.

Irving S. Cutter
Past President

Three "granddaughters" were welcomed into Chi Eta Chapter. The proud fathers are Albert Kaspor, Kevin McGann and John Johnson.

This fall we have been busy pledging new members. A series of biochemistry seminars has been held at the house and has proved of great value to the freshmen. We enjoyed a social meeting at which Dr. Charles H. Nielson, *Gamma,* assistant dean of St. Louis University School of Medicine, spoke on "The Responsibilities of the Medical Student to the Patient." This was the first of a series of talks which we planned to hold during the year.

Warren Lage, '44, is beginning a residency in urology at Desloge Hospital, St. Louis.

Robert Herlihy, '44, is an assistant resident in surgery at Harper Hospital, Detroit.

Pierce Mullally, '43, is a resident at St. Vincent's Charity Hospital, Cleveland.

Gilman Elected President

Phillip K. Gilman was elected president of the California Medical Association. Gilman was graduated from Johns Hopkins in 1907, being one of that early group who organized Xi Chapter at Hopkins. Soon after graduation he went to Manila, Philippine Islands, to assist in the founding of the Philippine Medical School in which he taught pathology. Later he became associate professor of surgery in the College of Medicine and Surgery of the Philippines and served from 1912 to 1916 as Chief of the Surgical Department when he became chief surgeon of the Philippine General Hospital in Manilla. On July 15, 1941, as a captain in the U. S. N. R., he re-entered active service and became Assistant District Medical Officer in San Francisco.

His interest in organized medicine is evidenced by the number of official positions which he has held. At Stanford he was a member of Delta Upsilon. At Hopkins, in addition to being a member of Phi Rho Sigma, he was also elected to Alpha Omega Alpha.

Unfug Elected President

George A. Unfug, *Psi,* is the newly-elected president of the Colorado State Medical Society. Following his graduation in 1926 from the University of Colorado he had an internship at the City Hospital in St. Louis and practiced general medicine in Pueblo for five years. In 1932 he had a preceptorship in radiology under Doctors Stephenson and Allen in Denver. Later he returned to Pueblo and confined his work to radiology. He is one of the aggressive younger members of the state medical society and has always been an exceedingly active and efficient worker in the ranks of organized medicine. He has been a member of the state board of medical examiners since 1940.

Alumni Notes

Ralph E. DeForest, Wayne, '43, received a Fellowship in Orthopedic Surgery in the Mayo Foundation, which began October 1, 1944.

Norman L. Higinbotham, McGill, '28, has been promoted to Colonel in the medical corps and is now Chief of Surgical Service at the Regional Hospital, Camp Swift, Texas.

Vincent J. Derbes, Tulane, '34, instructor in medicine and in preventive medicine at Tulane University is a newly elected member of the American Academy of Allergy.

. . Chapter Eternal . .

George Sheldon Adams, Rush, '01; Medical Superintendent of the Yankton State Hospital; on the staff of the Sacred Heart Hospital, where he died July 28, aged 67, of chronic endocarditis and acute dilatation of the heart.

Marvin R. Smith, Georgia, '05; member of the Georgia Medical Association, died July 12, aged 65, of acute dilatation of the heart.

Ray Anderson Bohl, Ohio State, '31; member of the Ohio State Medical Association and Fellow of the American Medical Association, Died September 19, aged 44.

Carl Aaron Hyer, Ohio State, '20; member of the Ohio State Medical Association and on the staff of Mt. Carmel Hospital, died October 13, aged 53.

James Henry Taylor, Indiana, '78; member of the Indiana State Medical Association, professor at the Indiana University School of Medicine, died July 23, aged 81.

Oscar Henning Anderson, Minnesota, '09; died in St. Luke's Hospital June 20, aged 60, of congestive heart disease with edeman, hypertensive heart disease and pulmonary embolism.

James Eddy Arnold, Rush, '17; on the staff of the Minneapolis General Hospital where he died July 17, aged 54.

Thomas Rufus Aycock, Georgia, '09; secretary of the Walton County Medical Society; on the staff of the Walton County Hospital, died Aug. 5, aged 62, of heart disease.

Nelson Park Davis, Pittsburgh, '09; associate professor of surgery; on the staff of the Mercy Hospital, died July 7, aged 58, of cerebral hemmorrhage.

Clarence Luverne Smith, Iowa, '23; member of the American Academy of Pediatrics; served during World War I; chief of pediatric service, Children's Orthopedic Hospital, died April 23, aged 46.

Wesley Lewis Boyden, Illinois, '11; served overseas during World War I, formerly chief of staff, St. Mary's Hospital, Green Bay, where he died June 26, aged 56, of acute myocarditis and acute cholecystitis.

Fred Thomas Hauser, Virginia, '33; on the staff of the Loudoun County Hospital and the Winchester Memorial Hospital; died July 25, aged 41, of brain tumor.

Joseph Leo McEvitt, Yale, '14; member of the Ohio State Medical Association; served overseas during World War I; on the staff of St. Thomas Hospital; died August 16, aged 55, of coronary heart disease.

William Bradley Breed, Harvard, '20; associate in medicine at his alma mater; regent and president of the board of governors of the American College of Physicians; on the staff and member of the executive committee of the Massachusetts General Hospital; died August 21, aged 51, of carcinoma.

Albert James Bower, Michigan, '05; served during World War I; on the staff of the United Memorial Hospital; died August 15, aged 63, of coronary heart disease.

Ferdinand Chenik, Detroit, '24; founder and formerly medical superintendent of the Chenik Hospital, author of "White Plague"; died August 15, aged 51.

Clare Edwin Fraunfelter; Rush, '04; member of the staff of the Aultman Hospital; died September 5, aged 67, of cerebral thrombosis.

Gordon Parker Goodfellow, Detroit, '29; captain in the U. S. Army Medical Corps from August 8, 1942 to December 1, 1943; on the staff of the East Orange General Hospital, died July 25, aged 40.

Robert Harrison Kistler, Pennsylvania, '15; served during World War I; Formerly on the staffs of the Pennsylvania and Wills Hospitals in Philadelphia, died October 4, aged 55.

Ralph Clinton Cupler, Illinois, '01; also a pharmacist; served in World War I, formerly professor of clinical surgery at the Bennett Medical College and the Chicago College of Medicine and Surgery; surgeon for the Illinois Central Railroad; died October 24, aged 65, of coronary occlusion.

Francis J. Dever, Medico-Chirurgical College; served in World War I; formerly associate professor of Internal Medicine in the Graduate Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, died December 30, aged 65.

★ Died In Service ★

Tennyson Gates Johnson, Minnesota, 1943; commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps on August 6, 1942; began active duty on July 3, 1943; killed in action in the European area July 13, aged 28.

Julian Leo Hargrove, Emory, 1924; served during World War I; commissioned a Lieutenant Commander in the Navy Medical Corps on March 28, 1942; executive medical officer of the Deland Naval Air Station; died July 3, aged 46, of injuries received when his automobile struck a bridge abutment on the Deland-Daytona Beach Highway.

John Weyman Davis, Emory, 1927; member of the Medical Association of George and the Southeastern Surgical Congress; fellow of the American College of Surgeons; on the surgical staffs of the Athens General and St. Mary's Hospitals; commissioned a lieutenant commander in the medical corps of the U. S. Naval Reserve on October 12, 1939; began active duty on May 19, 1941; promoted to commander on August 1, 1942; died in the Naval Hospital, Charleston, S. C., September 18, aged 42, of Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Richard Franklin Halford, Georgia, 1940; served an internship at the James M. Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla.; commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical corps of the United States Army on August 7, 1941; later promoted to captain; flight surgeon during the first invasion of North Africa and on other battle fronts; died in the North African theater of operation August 17, 1944, aged 28, in an airplane crash.